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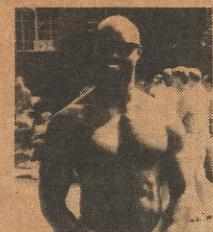
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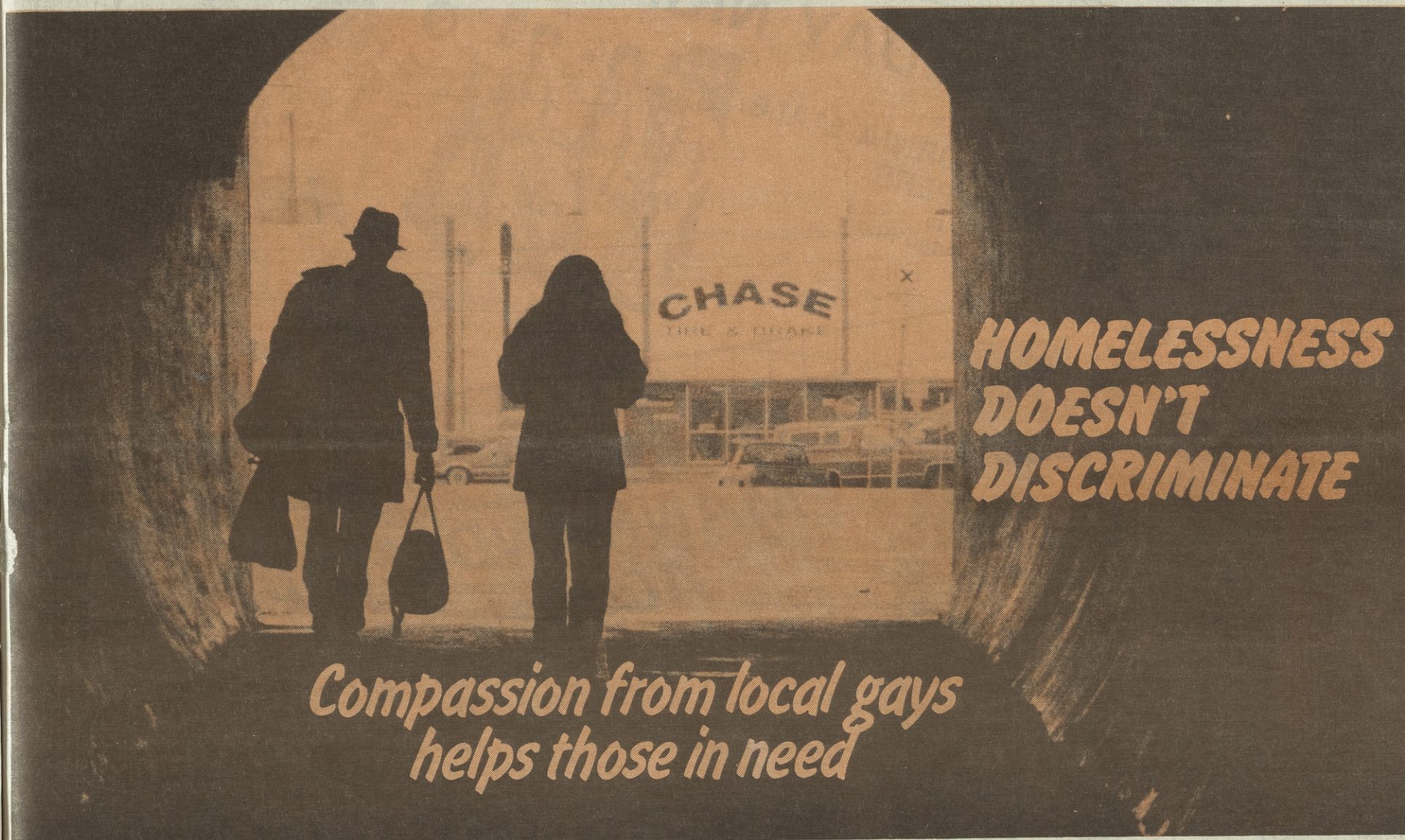
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Lambda Fair brings out  
thousands to McKinley  
Park to celebrate pride.

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SACRAMENTO'S NEWS MAGAZINE FOR THE GAY COMMUNITY AND ITS FRIENDS



by Dave Roelke

June was Gay Pride month and while the festivals and parades play a vital role in building pride, the bridges built every weekday at Sacramento's Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) may be even more important.

MCC is located in Oak Park, a neighborhood which has felt the full brunt of our country's almost total abandonment of social programs and social responsibility. Residents of the neighborhood are primarily black and poor, and the despair and hopelessness which abounds is too often accom-

panied by crime, drugs, homelessness and hunger.

Six years ago Rev. Ed Sherriff stepped into this breach almost by accident, and today the programs offered by the church are the strongest set of social programs offered by any MCC in the country.

"In the morning I used to make coffee for the staff and sometimes we'd also have donuts" recalled Sherriff. "Gradually, one by one, people walking by would smell the coffee and ask if they could have a cup. We'd invite them in for coffee and a doughnut, and soon it became a regular routine."

Today, what began as an informal sharing of coffee and doughnuts has grown into a full set of programs which are -- at least in Oak Park -- filling in the holes in our badly torn fabric of social services.

The basic heart of the program is a daily meal which is served from noon

"We'd invite them in for coffee and a doughnut, and soon it became a regular routine."

until 1:30 p.m. According to Sherriff an average of 275 people a day show up for the meal, (approximately 25% are children) and the large majority are from the community surrounding the MCC.

A recent meal consisted of a generous portion of smothered pork chops, corn on the cob, baked beans, hot bread, carrots and peas. The dining room was full and even at 1 p.m. a

line of people -- mainly women and children -- patiently waited in the sweltering heat for a place to open up in the cool basement dining room.

In addition to the regular meal, morning coffee and doughnuts are served and emergency meal take out boxes are available. "Along with feeding hungry people, what we are doing here is building bridges," said Sherriff. "Every day before the meal begins I announce that we are here to meet your needs as a gay and lesbian organization and that we want to treat you with love and respect and ask that you do the same for us."

Besides the meal program, MCC also runs the "Out of the Closet Boutique." The boutique serves the dual purpose of helping to partially support the meals program, and it also distributes clothing and other goods to those who are in need.

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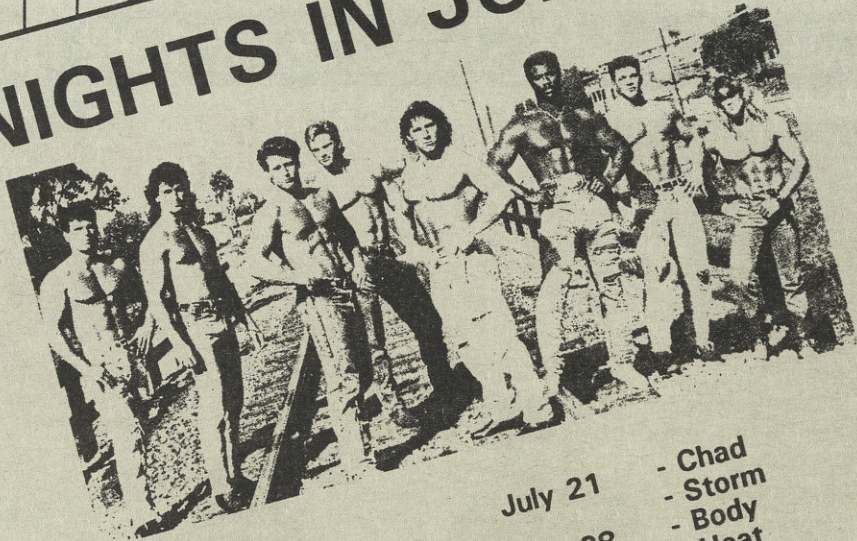


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## Legalize Weed Not Needles

Dear Editor,

Help legalize Marijuana not free needles for drug addicts! (Needle Exchange Passes Assembly -- mid-June ISSUE.)

Marijuana has many uses including medicine for people with AIDS and cancer. But

legalizing giving free needles to drug addicts is wrong! People who shoot up are sick and need to stop or they will die! (either by overdose or AIDS). Giving them a free needle is like giving an alcoholic a drink. They need someone to make them stop, not facilitate their illness.

Also what do you plan to do about the disposal problem? Junkies will discard their needles by dumping them on the street. Needles will join

the rest of the trash on our streets! Needles that are infected with AIDS lying around everywhere! How would you like to see your child accidentally stabbed by one of those discarded needles?

Michelle Kunnert

people do in a lifetime only cheapens the latest ISSUE.

Melba A. Duncan

## Ross Perot is Bad Candidate

Dear Editor,

I find it totally appalling that any lesbian or gay person would consider voting for H. Ross Perot. His statements about gays in the military, and in his cabinet are ignorant and homophobic.

People who would vote for a man who thinks that "going into poor neighborhoods" to search for guns and drugs without a warrant as "effective drug prevention" are willing to follow another Hitler into the next century.

Debbi Queen

## Be Nice to Marghe Covino

Dear Editor,

The latest ISSUE seems to be making a habit out of taking pot shots at Marghe Covino, President of the Lambda Board. I think it's tacky and that the nasty comments are in bad taste. Using cheap insults against someone who does more in one week to advance gay rights than most

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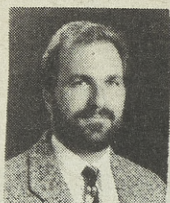
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# AROUND TOWN

## County Cuts Affect Lambda AIDS Programs

The Lambda Center's AIDS Response Programs -- that provide education and prevention to Sacramento's gay community -- are being dramatically reduced due to recent county funding cuts.

\$17,000 has been eliminated in this year's budget and with the reductions from last year, the AIDS Response Program has suffered a total of

25 percent reduction in two years.

"Keeping It Up" (A workshop for gay men to maintain safe-sex practices), the Positive

Social Support Newsdigest (PSSN), and the distribution of condoms and lube will be affected by this cut.

In addition to program cuts, the staff the Center has felt the brunt of the reductions. Franklin Kakies Director of the Lambda AIDS Response Programs, was forced to take a 20 percent salary cut and other full-time staff members have been cut to part-time.

According to Kakies, "Volunteers are important now more than ever. People willing to make a regular commitment of time are needed badly."

According to Kakies, the State and County funding for AIDS programs will continue

to diminish. Volunteers and donations will help ensure that Lambda can continue to successfully assist our community to remain informed about AIDS. For more information contact the Lambda Center at 442-0185.



## Increased Awareness Brings out Non-gay To AIDS Walk 92

by Steve Bistransky

It was a grand day! Everywhere gay, straight, old and young, joined together to take a stand, to pick a fight with AIDS. Walkers and volunteers showed that the people of Sacramento have taken up the challenge to fight this disease.

The 300 plus employees of Wells Fargo Bank in the June 14 Walk, made up the largest group participating among the estimated 1,500 walkers. I asked an employee of Wells Fargo who was devoting the morning to the AIDS Walk if the employees from the bank had been paid for the day. "We're here because we want to be," he said.

His wife, equally taken aback, added "We believe that this is the least we can do as caring people." With some difficulty I removed my foot from my mouth.

"We surpassed our hopes" said Jerry Love a Sacramento AIDS Foundation employee, who added praise to Beth Coleman, director of the AIDS Walk for all her work. So far the total has reached "\$135,000 and money is still coming in," said Love.

One-half of the funds collected is allocated for the AIDS

Foundation and the remaining half is divided equally among the Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services (CARES), the El Hogar Clinic serving the Hispanic Community, the Lambda Community Center and the Women's Civic Improvement Club.

The turn out for this year's Walk, showed that people finally realize that AIDS is an issue everyone should be concerned about.



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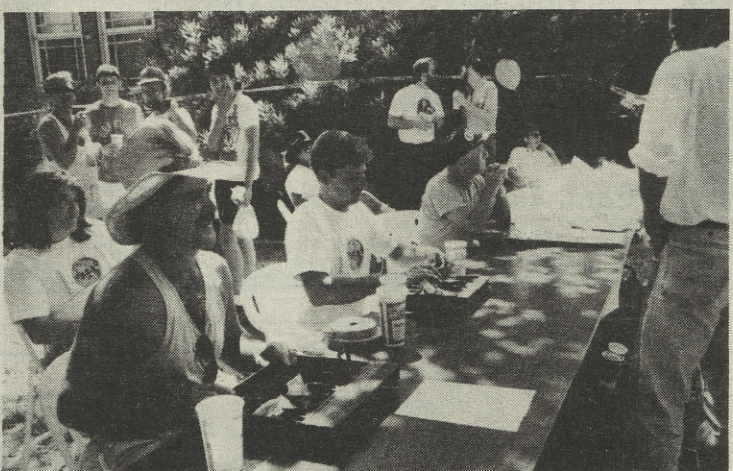
McKinley Park was filled with the sights and sounds of a community celebrating freedom as thousands of people turned out for the 1992 Lambda Freedom Fair.

The June 20 fair was the 12th Annual lesbian and gay pride celebration in McKinley



Fair organizer Richard Boriolo and Sue Doerfer work the information booth.

"Next year will be even bigger!"

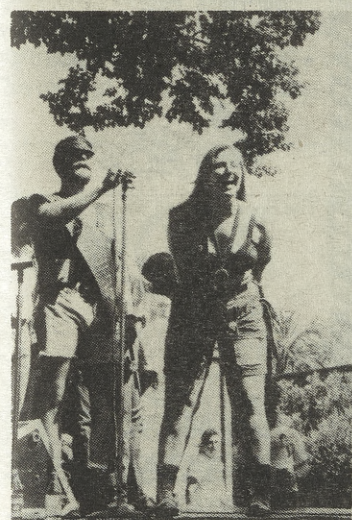


The beer booth, staffed by Bernie and Kerry of Faces, brought in nearly \$6,000 to benefit the Lambda Community Center.

and we had a really great time" said Pam Lockrem of Wham.

"We're looking into finding another park that will accom-

modate more people" said Jake Steuble, Executive Director of the Lambda Community Center, "next year will be even bigger."



Wes and Carolina on the main stage.

Park. More than \$15,000 was raised for The Lambda Community Center through booth rental, program advertising and beer sales.

An estimated 15,000 people descended on the fair to take part in the celebration and to shop the booths for deals. "We did really well at the fair



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Foundation believes that the  
 number of younger homeless  
 people is indeed growing.

"Outreach to the young  
 around so called 'public sex  
 environments' is very impor-  
 tant" said Love. "They need to  
 know that there is hope and  
 that there are alternatives to  
 the lifestyles they are leading."

While the deteriorating  
 economy and the subsequent

unraveling of our social fabric  
 are undoubtedly a root cause  
 of the homelessness among  
 HIV sufferers, Dan Delaney  
 believes that the true problem  
 lies somewhere within the  
 collective American psyche.  
 "There is some part and parcel  
 of the American mentality that  
 leaves the poor and the sick  
 behind" said Delaney. "Most  
 other countries who are gene-  
 rally recognized as civilized,  
 don't allow this type of thing  
 to occur" he said.

If what Delaney says is  
 true, if there is some tragic  
 crack, some Achilles heel in  
 the American character which  
 allows us as a society to  
 throw the dying on the street,  
 then surely now is the time  
 for us to come together and  
 attempt to correct that deficit.

Dan Delaney, Jerry Love,  
 Carlo Parker and countless  
 others are doing their part to  
 end the plight of homeless  
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 the rest of us to find ways to  
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# getting OUTTA TOWN

## Spectacular San Francisco Gay Parade

by Miles Kerley

**M**ore than 400,000 gays, lesbians and bisexuals lined Market Street in San Francisco to witness the spectacular, overwhelming and outrageous, 23rd Annual Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade.

Electricity filled the air as the Grand Marshals, Dr. Maggi Rubenstein and Don Johnson rode past the spectators. Rubenstein, a Sexologist, is the parade's first bisexual Grand Marshall. Johnson, has raised over 1 million dollars for AIDS research since 1985.

The Dykes on Bikes contingent again led the parade with high-revving engines and loud beeping horns. More than 400 Levi and leather vested, silk and satin draped women rolled down the street with rainbow flags streaming.

For the next five hours, what followed was an assortment of nearly 200 floats, marching bands, organizations and other contingents, each claiming its proud right to march and celebrate the day.



Friends at the San Francisco Gay Freedom Day Parade.

Six-foot high dancing condoms, one for every color of the rainbow advocated safe sex. Uniformed gay and les-

### Celebration of the community

bian members of the San Francisco Police, Sheriff and Fire Departments walked hand in hand with their significant others.

San Francisco Mayor Frank Jordan joined Roberta Achtenberg, Tom Nolan, Kevin Shelley, Terrence Hallinan, Tom Hsieh in representing the political diversity of the city. Other politicians included Cleve Jones and Paul Wotman, Police Chief Tom Murphy, Tom Ammiano, and Senatorial candidate Barbara Boxer with her supporters holding black and gold "Boxer" shorts.

Also present was the daughter of Boy Scouts of America founder, William Boyce Mueller, her gay son and assorted nephews and nieces. Organ-

izations ranging from Gay American Indians, Black and White Men Together, South Asian Lesbian and Gays, Gente Latina, and Filipino Task Force

on AIDS all attested to the wide and varied ethnic groups represented.

Spirituality, traditional and unconventional, was represented by members of the Metropolitan Community Church, Lavender Pagans, Lutherans Concerned, Congregation Sha'ar Zahav, United Church of Christ, Dignity, Integrity, Unitarian Universalist and many others.

The only noticeable discord of the day came about midway through the parade when supporters of the North American Man/Boy Love Association (NAMBLA) passed and were greeted with angry statements of disapproval. "Pervert," "weirdo" and "child molesters" were heard up and down the parade route.

Even with the dichotomy of the people present -- many of whom were in various stages of dress or undress -- there was a feeling of celebration of community, diversity and just plain good times.

RICK GERHARTER

## March on Washington Platform Brings Controversy

by Stan Carlson

**I**n preparation for the 1993 March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation, organizers have created a 52-point platform statement that critics say attempts to be all things to all people.

The National Steering Committee -- made up of representatives from seventeen regions -- has become divided over the platform being inclusive of all oppressed people instead of delivering a simple message of equality for gay men and lesbians.

Controversial issues remaining in the draft document include the recognition of sexual relations between adolescents, the provision of medical treatment for all transgendered people in prisons and hospitals, and the recognition and legal protection of the whole range of family structures.

Supporting the idea of

being as inclusive as possible, Sacramento representative Nancy Nystrom defends the Platform draft as "showing we really are everywhere, we are all kinds." Besides addressing gay, lesbian and bisexual concerns, the platform demands the repeal of English-only laws, an end to the genocide of all indigenous peoples and their cultures, free substance-abuse treatment on demand, and an end to economic injustice in this country and internationally.

Phil Attee, one of Washington's four representatives on the National Steering Committee, dislikes the breadth of the *Continued on page 22*

## Oregon Defends Gay Rights

by Miles Kerley

**T**he Oregon Citizens Alliance (OCA) -- a staunchly conservative group of activists -- has gathered the necessary 89,000 signatures to place an initiative on the November ballot amending the Oregon Constitution to restrict gay and lesbian rights.

If passed by the voters of Oregon, the initiative would require that schools teach children that homosexuality is "abnormal, wrong, unnatural, and perverse."

On May 9, residents of

Springfield, Oregon became the first town in the U.S. to mandate discrimination against gays and lesbians. In a vote of 5,693 to 4,540 the residents of this small community just south of Oregon's capitol,

Eugene, supported OCA's initiative that outlawed civil rights for gays and goes as far as banning any gay pride events on public property. However, the identical initiative was proposed in Corvallis, a college town, and was defeated in a two to one vote.

Recently Oregon has been invaded by extremely religious and "pro-traditional family" including a newly formed chapter of the Los Angeles based Traditional Values Coalition (TVC).

In Oregon, the primary organization opposing OCA is

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# Gay Rights - Presidential Topic

Gay rights activists across the country are watching this year's presidential race with a renewed interest thanks to interviewer Barbara Walters of "20/20". For the first time, lesbian and gay issues are at the forefront of the candidates' platforms.

In a May 29 interview with Walters, presidential candidate Ross Perot made statements largely perceived by the gay



H. Ross Perot at the California State Capitol in June.

and lesbian community as anti-gay.

Walters asked "would you have an admitted homosexual on your staff?" Perot said "I don't want anybody there who will be a part of controversy with the American people."

When Walters asked him "What about gays in the military?" Perot replied, "I don't think that's realistic."

Perot has since taken back his comments by saying discrimination based on "sexual orientation will not be tolerated," after discussing the issues with gay rights activists.

In an apparent effort to

differentiate his attitudes from those of Perot, George Bush told Walters in a June 25 interview that he would not bar homosexuals from his Cabinet, but does support the exclusion of gays from the military.

The Democratic National Committee has developed a draft of its platform for this year's elections that steers a middle path to reflect the philosophy of Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton, the likely Democratic presidential nominee.

While calling for "basic values that emphasize work, family and individual responsibility," the platform document also promises to "provide civil rights protection for gay men and lesbians and an end to Defense Department discrimination."

Walters is scheduled to interview Clinton following the Democratic National Convention in July.

# NEA Decency Clause Ruled Unconstitutional

by D. Oldham

In what can be called a first round victory, a federal judge has ruled against the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) "decency clause" in a case involving three gay artists and a feminist performing artist.

The artists, John Fleck, Tim Miller and Holly Hughes are openly gay artists who perform gay-oriented work which is often sexual in content. They, along with feminist artist Karen Finely, charged the NEA and its former director, John Frohmyer, with denying their 1990 grants for "political" reasons. The plaintiffs claim they have internal NEA memos and documents that make it clear their grants were rejected due to fear of negative congressional reaction. The ruling orders the NEA to defend itself for viola-

ting its own statute by denying grants for "political" reasons and not reasons defined by its own "decency clause."

On June 9, Los Angeles Federal Judge A. Wallace Tashima handed down the 44 page decision chastising the NEA for using a clause that is so vague that artists are forced to "guess" at its meaning. The decision also points out that the "decency clause" violates the artists' First and Fifth Amendment rights.

"It is well established that even though a person has no 'right' to a valuable government benefit, the government may not deny a benefit to a person on a basis that infringes on his constitutionally protected interests -- especially, his freedom of speech," wrote Tashima.

## The "decency clause" violates the artists rights.

This decision is seen as a blow to Jessie Helms and other opponents of federal funds for art by or about gays and lesbians. The NEA issued a brief statement about the ruling stating that the NEA and the Department of Justice "are reviewing the judge's decision." The four artists still must take their lawsuit through trial court. No date has been set for that trial.

# Bicycling Across Country To End AIDS

by Danny Szczeblewski

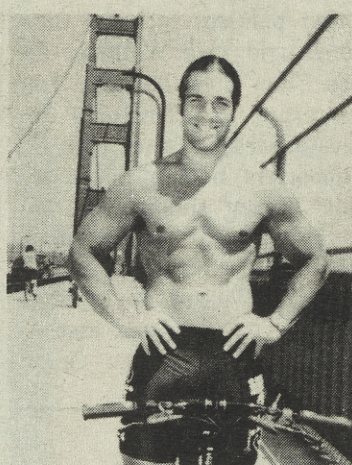
Forty-four days after leaving San Francisco on a 4,400 mile bicycle journey to New York to raise money for AIDS research, Mark Cattano pedaled into the state of Virginia.

The bicycling fundraising event was envisioned as a show of support for his brother who is HIV positive, and his brother's lover who recently died of AIDS.

Proceeds raised by Cattano on the cross-country bicycle trip will benefit the Community Consortium of San Francis-

co, which conducts clinical trials for promising HIV therapies, and the Community Research Initiative on AIDS (CRIA) in New York City.

"Mark has raised close to \$50,000 so far," said Merisa Cardinale, Director of Development of Public Affairs for CIRA. "A lot of people Mark



Mark Cattano.

met on the road in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Tennessee, poor people from small towns, would send five dollars in an envelope with a note expressing how impressed they were with Mark's concern and motivation and how they wanted

to help."

"Averaging 100 miles a day, Mark has been very lucky so far," Cardinale said. "There has been very little bad weather. The only difficulty so far was the high elevations and desert in Nevada and Oklahoma, where Mark would ride from 5 to 10 a.m. then start again in the evening because the temperatures were too high."

A welcome home party is planned for Mark when he reaches New York this month. Individuals and organizations can mail donations in support of Mark Cattano and AIDS Research to the Community Consortium, 15 Gerke Alley, San Francisco, CA 94133, or telephone (415) 362-5608 for more information.

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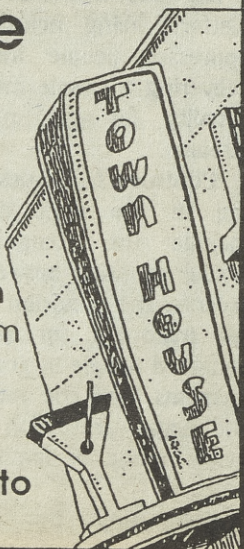
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# Gays a Vital Force at Democratic Convention

by Sam Ciraulo

**N**EW YORK CITY-- In the aftermath of the latest campaign flareups over gay and lesbian rights and the inclusion of homosexuals in the military, the gay and lesbian delegation at the Democratic National Convention in New York is making more of an effort to "come out of the closet" than at past conventions.

Five daily caucus meetings were held among the 104 gay and lesbian delegates attending the Democratic National Convention. This is the largest group of gay and lesbian delegates attending a National Convention, and increased visibility at the Convention has become a primary goal of the group.

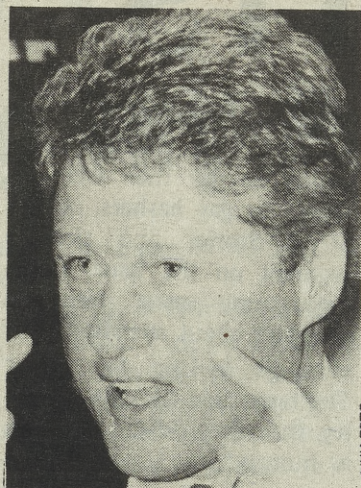
It was announced that two gay caucus members had been invited to speak during prime time as part of the Convention program. San Francisco Supervisor Roberta Achtenberg will address the national convention on Tuesday night. In addition, Bob Hattoy, Senior Environmental Advisor to the Clinton Campaign will follow Achtenberg, and is the first HIV-positive gay man to address the delegates. (The first gay man to address a Democratic National Convention was the late Jim Foster in 1972.)

Hattoy was identified as

being HIV-positive approximately one month ago. Upon receiving the news, he received several calls from Bill and Hillary Clinton, communicating their support and assistance. Shortly thereafter, Governor Clinton asked him to speak to the delegates, and he accepted. He made the remark that he was impressed by the level of concern expressed by the Governor and his wife.

(Senator Ted Kennedy and Former Senator Paul Tsongas also addressed the caucus.)

One of the few anticipated surprises of the convention became public when Clinton announced his choice of a running mate last week. The *Convention Daily*, the newspaper of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), reported that the selection of Senator Al Gore, Jr. (D-Tennessee) was well received by gay and lesbian leaders, who



Governor Bill Clinton.

recognized Gore's long record of support for both civil rights and AIDS concerns.

"Senator Gore has an excellent voting record in Congress over the past eight years," said Tim McFeeley, Executive Director of HRCF. "After twelve years of ignorance, inaction, and indifference, the choice in 1992 is clear."

Gore received a perfect 100% score from the Human Rights Campaign Fund during the current Congress for his votes on AIDS and civil rights issues. Gore received a 92% rating in the previous Congress and earned similarly high scores from the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

Several gay and lesbian delegates from Northern California were actively involved in Convention activities. Gary Miller, President of the Robla School Board and a delegate

from Sacramento, was elected to act as Floor Whip for the Clinton Campaign in the 5th Congressional District. Miller said "It is very clear that Clinton is reaching out to the gay and lesbian community. He made sure there was representation on his staff, representation on the Platform Committee, and selected two members of our community to speak at the Convention during prime-time."

"Compare that record to the Republicans, who refused to even allow gay men and lesbians to testify at their Plat-

form Committee hearings, or Ross Perot, who feels that we are not fit for military service," Miller continued.

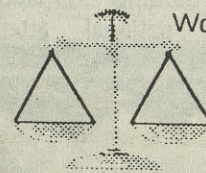
Miller is running for reelection to the Robla School Board in November.

This Convention provided a unique opportunity for gay men and lesbians to increase their influence within the Democratic Party, and to actively work for the election of Governor Clinton and Senator Gore in November. Tim McFeeley stated, "We view this election as a matter of life and death."

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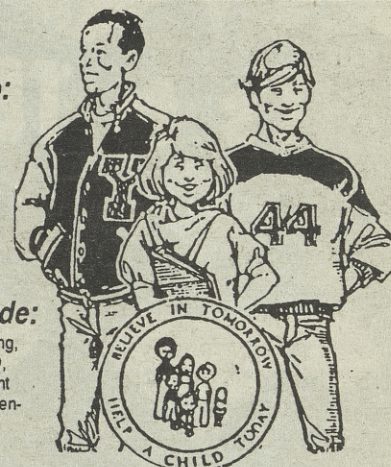


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## Senate Restricts PBS Broadcasts

The U.S. Senate authorized the Public Broadcast System funding bill, but overwhelmingly voted restrictions on programs that PBS could broadcast. Conservative senators had tried to cut funding to the agency, but when that failed they successfully added the restrictions. Under the amendment, programs considered "indecent" will be relegated to after midnight broadcasts, and all programming will be reviewed to determine whether or not it is "one-sided."

Controversy erupted last summer over the broadcast of Marlon Riggs' film on black

gay men, "Tongues Untied." Right wing conservatives considered the film "indecent," prompting this latest round of attacks on public broadcasting.

## Gay Basher Gets 45 Years in Jail

An 18-year-old pleaded guilty to the July 4, 1991 murder of a gay man in Houston, receiving a 45 year sentence for the plea. John Christopher Buice was part of a gang of 10 teenagers who attacked 27-year-old Paul Broussard with boards studded with nails. Buice made the plea when he was caught by authorities making preparations to leave the country.

Gay bashing in Houston received national attention

following Broussard's murder last year, when Houston police posing as gay men were attacked by gay bashers. CBS's Street Stories also aired a segment on the issue, showing young male teenagers bragging about spending their evenings looking for "fags." The teens told CBS's Ed Bradley that they "didn't see fags as human."

## Partners Win One in New York

A five-judge panel of the New York State Appellate Division unanimously ruled that the denial of health care benefits to domestic partners of lesbian and gay employees of the New York City School system may violate civil rights laws prohibiting sexual orientation and

marital status discrimination. The judges ruled that an earlier court had properly denied a motion for dismissal brought by the defendants in a lawsuit brought by the Gay Teachers Association against the NY City Board of Education.

## Prom-Goers Get Condoms

Shamrock High School (Clarkston, GA) prom-goers were greeted by ACT UP/Atlanta members distributing condoms and condom instruction. Over 250 condoms were distributed in front of the Fox Theatre as students entered the Egyptian Ballroom.

Although there was nervous laughter from some students, the condoms and distributors were generally well received. "A teacher and a parent thanked us for being there," said action facilitator Brad LaFoon. "It's very important that teens get these condoms. These people are having sex and they are one of the fastest growing populations who are contracting HIV."

ACT UP/Atlanta has distributed over 1,000 condoms at four proms this year.

## Clinton Endorsed

The Human Rights Campaign Fund announced that it would endorse Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton's campaign for the U.S. Presidency. "On issues ranging from discrimination in the military to AIDS education, Bill Clinton is on the side of lesbian and gay Americans," said Tim McFeeley, HRCF executive director. "George Bush and Ross Perot offer us a future of more delay, more discrimination, and more death and denial."

## Military Hearings Supported

Georgia Senator Sam Nunn told lobbyists for the Human Rights Campaign Fund that he would support Senate Committee hearings on the military's ban on lesbian and gay personnel.

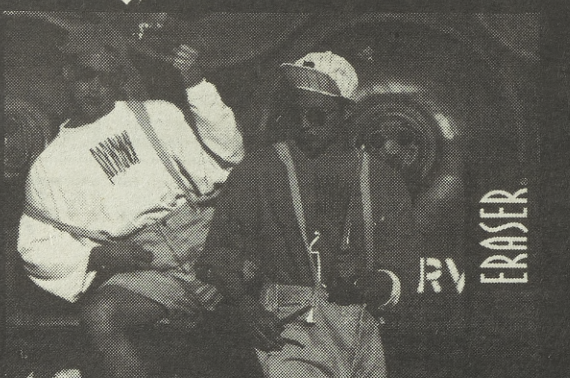
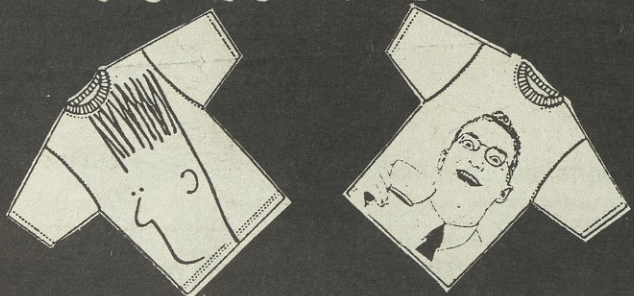
Nunn, who is chair of the Senate's Armed Services Committee, told the HRCF group that he was not prepared to support a change of the Pentagon's policy at this time, but said he would examine the issue further.

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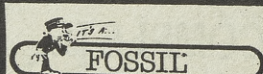
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## POSITIVE

## Coming Out Being HIV Positive

by Michael Kearns

**I**t took me more than two years to screw up my courage but after I did it, I experienced profound freedom; I felt overwhelmingly empowered; I became fearless. After I did it, I re-connected, as if I'd been emotionally dangling, oddly disengaged. After I did it, I knew independence, indeed, but was far less alone.

After I did what, you ask? After walking on hot coals? Parachuting? Bungee jumping?

None of the above. After coming out publicly as a person who has tested positive for the HIV virus, I felt better. Better than I could have possibly imagined.

"You're only as sick as your secrets," is one of my favorite expressions, lifted from a popular twelve step program. All lives comprise a dramatic series of coming outs; I came out gay, came out as a recovering alcoholic, came out as a person with HIV. Each of these events ultimately enhanced the quality of my life, no matter how traumatic it may have seemed experiencing them in the moment.

Since revealing my seropositive status, I've visited the temples and tombs of Egypt,

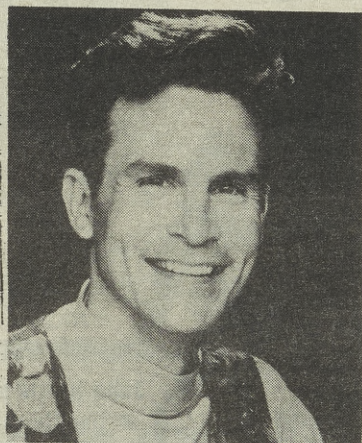
performed my theatre work in Sydney, Australia and acted on a segment of ABC's "Life Goes On." More importantly, I have been energized by the depth of human spirit on a daily basis -- whether through a longtime friendship or through a story I read about an anonymous stranger in the newspaper.

Here are ten reasons to come out as HIV positive:

1) **YOU'LL STAND TALL.** Being HIV positive is nothing to be ashamed of, period. But you won't be able to alleviate a sense of shame until you stand up for yourself. If you're crouching in the closet, you're confirming to yourself the negative publicity about being a person with HIV. When you come out you are saying "I deserve to be counted; I deserve to be treated with respect; I deserve to be

heard." Be a part of the solution.

2) **YOU'LL KNOW WHERE YOU STAND.** If you are afraid of being rejected, you must ask yourself: Do you really want someone in your life who is incapable of loving you for who you are? If you're looking for acceptance, look to yourself first. Then find out who your true friends really are.



Michael Kearns.

3) **YOU'LL INCREASE YOUR SELF-ESTEEM.** You are jeopardizing feelings of self worth if you don't feel worthy enough to share this intimate part of yourself. Do not allow yourself to be diminished. Be proud of the person you are, HIV and all.

4) **YOU'LL DECREASE STRESS ON YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM.** Being dishonest

(which is the same as avoiding the truth) will stress your precious immune system. Take care of yourself; by opening up, you are contributing to your well-being.

5) **YOU'LL MAKE NEW FRIENDS (AND/OR LOVERS).** There are plenty of individuals out there more than willing to befriend you. Honesty is a personal virtue. People will be attracted to you because of your openness: being candid can be alluring, even sexy.

6) **YOU'LL GET MORE HUGS.** Physical connections are comforting, warming, energizing. You probably have no idea

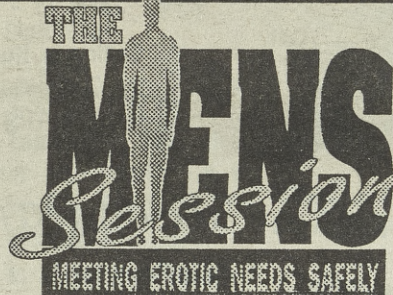
how lovable you are, how huggable.

7) **YOU'LL SLEEP BETTER.** Restlessness and sleeplessness are often the result of withholding. Once you've said it out loud, your ability to shut out those nagging voices keeping you awake, will improve. Sweet dreams await you.

8) **YOU'LL HAVE MORE ENERGY TO DO IMPORTANT THINGS.** Being deceptive takes considerable time, robbing you of valuable hours to pamper yourself, improve yourself, share yourself. No

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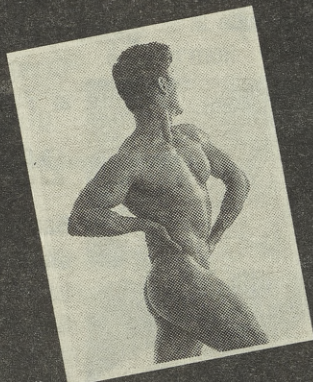
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# July

15 wednesday

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**6 RMS RIV VU** at 8 p.m. Chatauqua Playhouse. For reservations and info call 489-7529. **Weekends thru July 25**

Archival Framing presents the work of **Paul Anderson** in conjunction with the City wide "Introductions 92". For info call 444-9624. **Thru July 31**

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16 thursday

**Summer Music Festival** in Lake Tahoe. For info call 583-3101. **July 16 - Aug 15**

**Freedom from Fear** lecture at the Church of Enthusiasm & Joy 7p.m. **SACRAMENTO** For info call 489-7503.

**Hand to Hand Volunteer Orientation** at Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 7p.m. Call 448-2437 for info.



17 friday

**4th Annual Afrocentric Weekend** at Faces. **July 17 - 19**

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre presents **Agatha Christie's Ten Little Indians**. For show times and reservations call 985-6361. **July 17 - Sept 20**

**California Home Show** at the Convention Center. For info call 415) 340-9114. **July 17 - 19**

18 saturday

**Grand Opening !!** of the new Central Library at 9th & I Streets. Two days of fun, exhibits & activities. **July 18 & 19**

**The 14th Annual Mateel Women's Music Festival** in Briceland from 1-10p.m. Teresa Trull, Barbara Higbie & many more. \$10- \$20. For info call 707) 923-2873.

19 sunday

**Sacramento Leather Assn. Anniversary Party!** Pool-side at Joseph's Town & Country from noon - 5 p.m. All are welcome. For info call 737-0651.

**San Francisco AIDS Walk Family Festival** Explores Photography at the Crocker Art Museum, 1 - 4 p.m.



Outdoor Adventures of Sacramento is having a **Bike Ride in Apple Hill**. For info call 644-4170.



20 monday

Music Circus presents: **Fiddler on the Roof** with Theodore Bikel. For tickets and info call 557-1999. **July 20 - 26**

**Jim Bailey** at Garbeau's Dinner Theater. Impersonation like you've never seen before. Dinner and show \$35. 6:30 p.m. at 12401 Folsom Blvd. For reservations 985-6361. **July 20 & 21**



21 tuesday

**Ladie's Room**, the racy comedy hit at the Theatre on the Square in San Francisco. For tickets and info call 415) 433-9500. **July 21 - Aug 30**

**Julie Harris** stars in "**Lettice & Lovage**" at the Curran Theatre San Francisco. For show times and info call 415) 956-4781. **July 21 - Aug 16**

**"Woman to Woman"** a video showing a panel of women discussing their children coming out will be shown at P-FLAG meeting 7:30p.m. St. Mark's. For info call 665-1050.



22 wednesday

**Francesco Trio** UC Davis' Main Theatre, at 8 p.m. Featuring works of Haydn, Mozart and more. For info and tickets call 757-3481.

**BANG** (Business Alliance of Networking Gays) monthly meeting at Andiamo at 7 p.m. For info call 457-3269.

23 thursday

**Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change** general meeting, Lambda Center, 7 p.m. 863-3020 #1, #4.

24 friday

**"The Prom You Never Had"** presented by SLCC in the Camellia Room of the Tuesday Club. Call 451-0201 for info.

**Mind Club/Attica** concert at Plaza Park 5-7:30 p.m.



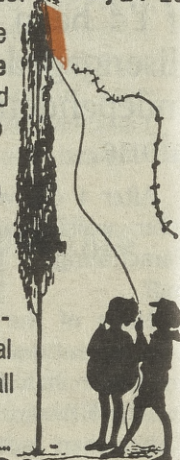
The Davis Musical Theatre presents **The Unsinkable Molly Brown** at 2121 2nd St. For tickets and info call 756-3682.

**July 24 - Aug 30**

25 saturday

**West Coast Kite Championships** and kite Festival in Berkeley. For info call 510- 525-2755.

**July 25 - 26**



## SUNDAYS

**Softball** at the park at C and 21st Street park. Games at noon and 2 p.m.

**Tea Dance** at **FACES** 3 - 7 p.m., barbecue at 5 p.m., country/western dancing begins at 7 p.m.

**Gay Families**, a support group for gay men & lesbians with children and those considering parenthood, the 4th Sunday of each month. For info call 387-8862.

**Christian Community Fellowship** meets in the community room at the Wreck Room 2 p.m. Call 731-7620 for info.

## MONDAYS

**SAGA IV Roller Skating Parties** 3rd Monday from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. at King's Skate Country, Bradshaw & Hwy 50. \$5 admission & skate rental. For info call 635-1535 or 455-0986.

**Women's Group for Survivors of Sexual Abuse** meets every other Monday from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. For info and location call 783-0579.

**Affirmation:** United Methodists for lesbian & gay concerns meets the 1st Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. For info call 489-2340.

**Lesbian & Gay Town Council** meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the County Admin. Bldg, 7th & H St. For info call 448-0422.

**Men's Coming Out Group** at the Lambda Center from 5:30 -7 p.m. For info call 442-0185



# August

1 saturday

**Mr. & Ms. Northern California Leather Contest** at the Tuesday Club, benefit for the Lambda Center and Sacramento AIDS Foundation. For info call 983-2870 or 489-5656.

**The Song and Dance Ensemble of Tibet** performs at the Marin Center at 8 p.m. For tickets and info call 415) 433-9500. **Aug 1-2**

**Ladies Days**

**Softball Tournament** in South Lake Tahoe. 32 teams of women from around Northern California play "C" league ball for the championship. Call 916) 541-3341 for details.

**Pool Party** at Valentis Gym, to benefit the March on Washington. 5 p.m. at 921 11th St. For info 863-3351.

**Lambtown, USA** sheep and wool festival at the fairgrounds in Dixon. For info call 678-2650.

**Aug 1 - 2**

2 sunday

**Dykes Out Together**, Ice cream social & planning meeting. Join a group of women who enjoy outdoor activities together. Call 487-3124 for info.

3 monday

Music Circus presents **Funny Girl** with **Laurie Beecham**. For tickets and info call 557-1999. **Aug 3 - 9**

4 tuesday

**SAGA IV Roller Skating Party** 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. at King's Skate Country, Bradshaw & Hwy 50. \$5 For info call 635-1535 or 455-0986.

6 thursday

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**Sacramento Birthday Celebration** at Sutter's Fort Historic Park. For info call 264-7072.

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Music Circus presents **Joanne Worley** in **Hello, Dolly!** For tickets & info call 557-1999. **Aug 10 - 16**

**Dukes of Dixieland** at 7:30 p.m. on the Quad at UC Davis, free. For info call 757-3199.

12 wednesday

**Healthwatch: AIDS from Amsterdam**, Dr. Neil Flynn presents highlights from the 8th International Conference on AIDS in Amsterdam. 7 - 9 p.m. at the AIDS Foundation, 920 20th St.

**Nevada County Fair** at the fairgrounds in Grass Valley. For info call 273-6217. **Aug 12 - 16**

15 saturday

**Children of the World Paint in a Single Language**. Exhibit at the Crocker Art Museum. For info call 264-5423. **Aug 15 - Nov 1**

SACWN presents; comedian, songwriter **Monica Grant** at the

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17 monday

Music Circus presents **Sam Harris** in **Cabaret**. For tickets and info call 557-1999. **Aug 17 - 23**

18 tuesday

Mexican Psychiatrist **Salvador Roquet** lectures on **Art and Psychosis** at 7 p.m. at the Galeria Posada, 701 O Street. \$5 admission. For info call 391-6418.

19 wednesday

**Sir Ian McKellen** stars in **"Richard III"** at the Curran Theater in San Francisco. For tickets and info call 415) 956-4781. **Aug 19 - Sept 13**

30 thursday

Outdoor Adventures of Sacramento is having a **Back-pack to Honey-moon Lake** near Bishop. For details call 795-4654. **July 30 - Aug 2**

31 friday

k.d. lang at the Sacramento Community Center Theater, 8 p.m.



**Latino Extravaganza** to benefit Grupo Latino Joseph's Town & Country, 9 p.m. - 2 a.m. For info call 448-2437.

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**Being Gay Today**, 10 p.m. on cable 18. An hour of lesbian & gay programming from around the country & beyond.

**Heart to Heart** a discussion group for men at the AIDS Foundation, 920 20th St, from 6:30 - 8 p.m. For info call 448-2437.

**Women HIV+ support group** at the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. For info call 448-2437.

**Sacramento Leather Association** monthly meeting at the WreckRoom at 7 p.m. First Tuesday of each month. 737-0651.

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**Being Gay Today**, 9 p.m. on cable 18. An hour of lesbian & gay programming from around the country & beyond.

**ACT-UP Sacramento** meetings 8 p.m., call 863-3025 for details.

**Being Alive Living Room HIV+ support group** from 2 - 5 p.m. at the Lambda Center. Call 442-0185 for info.

**Lesbian Support Group** for Partners of Incest/Molest Survivors. 1st & 3rd Thursdays from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at 1701 H Street. For info call 722-4570.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Red Hot Tunes From Olivia and Others

by Bill Peterson

**B**eing the alert readers that you are, notice my new rating system, which works thusly -- in my little CD shop the prices are set by their actual worth. Well, it's a busy month so without further ado, these are my latest finds:

### Red Hot and Dance:

With a slew of recent hits, remixed by famous producers (including Brian Eno and David Morales), such as EMF's "Unbelievable", Crystal Waters' "Gypsy Woman", Seal's "Crazy" and Lisa Stansfield's "Change", this follow-up to 1990's Red Hot and Blue comes off as a K-Tel compilation for the nineties.

With three catchy new George Michael tunes, a new mix of a Sly and the Family Stone classic, and a three

year-old B-side by Madonna, we have something old, something new and something borrowed -- all together to benefit AIDS research and relief. **\$10.79**

responds to her craving to get physical a decade earlier -- "I've been trying to fill this empty heart/with something not real/and I don't want to live like that anymore/these days you've really got to be sure." (For you clubbers, the CD single features two remixes, plus the 12 inch mix of the 1980's classic "The Rumour"). Despite her eternally lowly standing among pop artists, the older hits hold up well. **\$12.58**

**Closet Classics Vol. 1:** Culled from Boy George's "More Protein" label, this 11 song

album? **\$10.87**

**The Unforgettable Nat King Cole:** What a great way to nab the new-found Nat fans, who just discovered his timeless tunes via daughter Natalie's "Unforgettable." This new CD compilation features the same songs, in identical order as Natalie's did, making comparison simple! The original versions are classic, especially "Mona Lisa," "Don't Get Around Much Anymore" and "Route 66." (That's six-six, not sixty-six, cool cats!) While the music itself is peerless, I'm taking a dollar off, due to the skimpy booklet with its lack of intriguing trivia. **\$14.98**

**Everything But the Girl - Acoustic:** After last fall's mundane "Worldwide" CD, Tracy Thorn and Ben Watt step back to reinterpret six of their songs as well as five by other artists, including takes on Springsteen's "Tougher Than the Rest," Cyndi Lauper's "Time After Time," and Tom Waits' "Downtown Train." The six originals by Thorn and Watt serve as testimony to the simple beauty of their songwriting skills, with the re-working of 1986's "Come on Home" shining through, stripped of the kitschy horns from the original version. **\$13.37**

**Ron Romanovsky - Hopeful Romantic:** The first solo album from half of the duo of Romanovsky and Phillips runs through several styles - from the torchy dinner jazz of "A Measure of Sadness," to the country swing lilt of "Sacrifices."

As always there's enough tongue-in-cheek camp, on "I Love to Polka" and "One for You, One for Me" -- "I'll take Sean/John and I never did get along," about the intricacies of dividing up the friends in the wake of a break-up. As catchy and earnest as ever. **\$8.88**



Joan Armatrading.

**Joan Armatrading - Square the Circle:** More songs about the complexities of lovin' that are as heartfelt as ever, but with only a few real standouts -- the upbeat "True Love," "Wrapped Around Her Finger" and the big ballad "Can't Get Over (How I Broke Your Heart)." **\$9.69**

**Lindsey Buckingham - Out of the Cradle:** Veering between childlike innocence and adult cynicism, sunny summer pop "Countdown" and brooding soul-searching "Street of Dreams" -- this is pop artistry at its finest from the ex-Fleetwood Mac member. Quirky, accessible and captivating. **\$14.50**



Olivia Newton-John.

**Olivia Newton-John - Back to Basics, the essential collection, 1971 - 1992:** The pre-Madonna diva is back with 13 of her hits of yore (including "Physical" and "Magic") along with four new songs that show she's still quite capable of breathing some fluff and fire into radio friendly singles. Her new single, "I Need Love," produced by Giorgio Moroder (of Donna Summer fame) is a mid-tempo dance track that

collection features three from George (as Jesus Loves You), with the remainder by some dubbers (MC Kinky and I-Sus Ad) and George sound-alikes Jagdeep Singh and Eve Gallagher, whose sturdy soul voice makes "Love is a Master of Disguise" one of the highlights here. There's plenty of thwump-thwump to keep all the boys happy at your next fete, but what I really want to know is; Where is Eve's solo

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by D.J. Patty Pardue of FACES

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2. I Know -- New Atlantic
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4. Dyewitness -- Observing the Earth
5. 2-Unlimited -- Workaholic
6. Jestofunk -- I'm Gonna Love You
7. Clubland -- Set Me Free
8. Lil' Louis -- Club Lonely
9. Deee-Lite -- Runaway
10. Olivia -- I Need Love



# Film Festival Full of Must See Movies

by Chris Narloch

"It's like a Hope/Crosby movie. . . in which Crosby fucks Hope." That's how Gregg Araki describes his wonderfully subversive new film "The Living End," which closed the 16th San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival June 27.

Araki's flick is being hailed as a triumph for "queer cinema," and if the reaction of the sell-out crowd at the Castro Theater is any indication, gays will definitely be talking about the movie when it opens this fall.

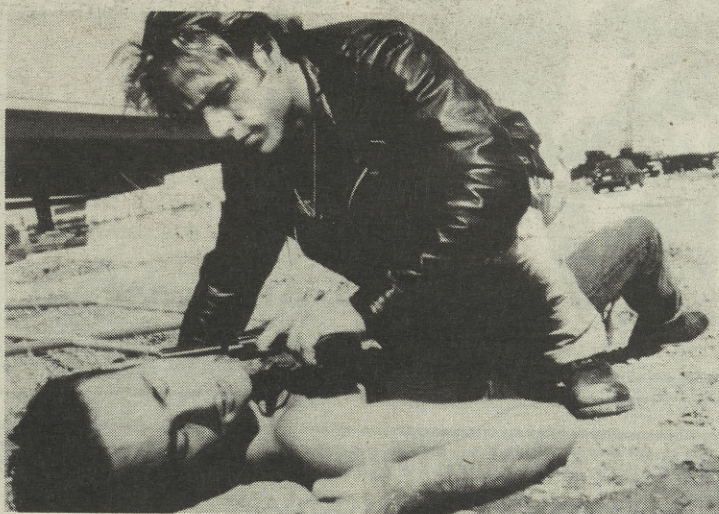
"The Living End" has been called a gay "Thelma and Louise," even though it was written well before that movie came out. Still, there are similarities -- both movies feature an odd couple on a road trip through hell and a crime spree fueled by violent sexual emotions. In the new film, Jon, a brooding writer, picks up Luke, a free-wheeling hustler, after Luke has killed three gay-bashers. The two men bond after learning they have at least one thing in common, both are HIV positive.

If the movie sounds like a downer, it should be pointed out that whenever Araki threatens to get preachy or fatalistic, he throws in a wacky character or some off-the-wall dialogue to lighten things up. My favorite line comes when the female lead

angrily tells her boyfriend, "I do not exist to provide temporary relief for your gonads!"

Disturbing, funny, even romantic, "The Living End" is an amazing example of independent cinema on a shoe-string budget. The movie was written, directed, shot and edited by Araki, and he is an artist to watch. His heroes are angry young men fed up with homophobia and fed up with the specter of AIDS. They have nothing to lose but each other.

A more traditional gay film, "The Lost Language of Cranes," played twice on PBS the same week it screened at the festival. This piercing drama by Nigel Finch, produced for the BBC, chronicles a dysfunctional family with a twist. A young gay man comes out to his parents only to discover that his father is homosexual as well. Impeccable acting and direction keep this story from turning into a soap opera, and the anguish of the mother whom realizes she never really knew either of the men in her life is penetrating. Look for "Cranes" to be rerun



The Living End was the closing night film at the SF Festival

on PBS before it turns up on video.

Lesbian titles frequently outsold the men's at this year's festival. The audience favorite for Best Feature, chosen from 81 programs, was "Twin Bracelets," a lesbian drama from China. That it was even made is remarkable, given the repressive political and sexual climate in that country. Written and directed by women, "Bracelets" tells the story of one woman's struggle for independence, and the love for another woman in a small fishing village. Hopefully this film will be

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There was a movie for every possible persuasion this year, with intriguing titles like "Porn Again," "Daddy and the Muscle Academy" and "Sex, Lesbians and Videotape." The festival saw a hundred percent increase in attendance at the end of its ten-day run, despite losing NEA funding. Gay pride burned brightly in June, and it scorched the screens of the largest gay and lesbian arts event in the world.

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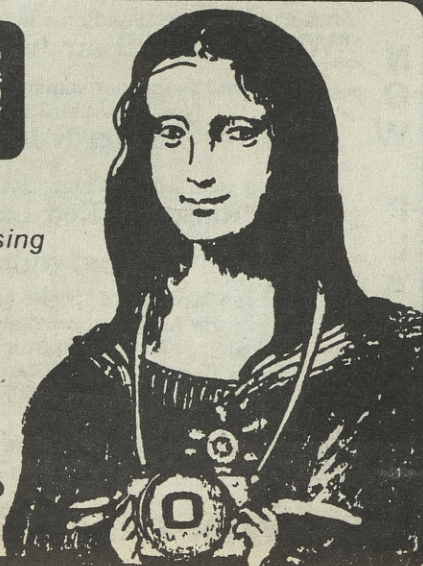
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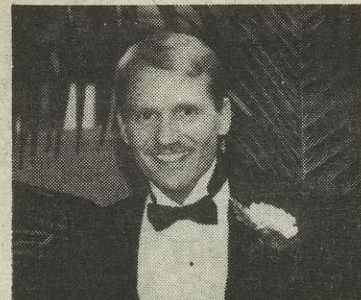


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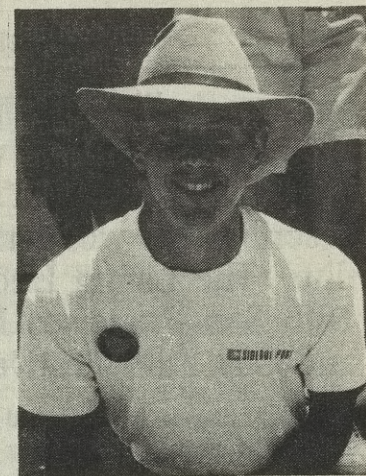
**Kerry Sutton**

Nationally-renowned Sacramento artist and AIDS activist Kerry Sutton, 39, lost his fight with AIDS on July 9, surrounded by family.

He was among the first to take new medications and try alternative therapies -- both for himself and on behalf of others. With a basic medical background Sutton, working with his physician, created for himself a health program that included a combination of Chinese Herbs, medications and visualizations, and placed him in the category known as "long-term survivors."

Sutton started painting at the age of eleven and had his

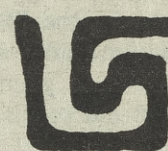
first exhibition at the age of 21. Since his HIV diagnosis over a decade ago, his art has taken on a spiritual philosophy.



**Michael Kim Bryant**

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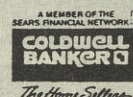


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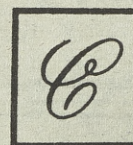
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# GALLERY GUIDE!

## Animated Art Comes to Life at Galleria

by D. Oldham

In 1984 Christie's held the first major auction of animation art. Since then the collecting of animation art has been growing in popularity.

Animated art consists of the artists' original drawings, model sheets (usually rough sketches of the character in different poses), and the production cels which are actually used to make the animated film. The production cels are smaller than 16" x 20" when framed and thousands of them are used in the production of a cartoon film. The older production cels (those made before 1960) are the most expensive and sought after by collectors. They are usually rare since film studios did not realize their lasting value and many were discarded after the films were finished.

Much of the new interest in animation art can be contributed to the fact that these images are familiar characters that we have grown up with. The new collector feels at ease with these "old friends" and unlike most art forms, the viewer doesn't feel it takes an experienced eye to appreciate the images.

When you look at a Bugs Bunny cel you know it's a



Bugs Bunny has a wide appeal with collectors.

rabbit, this makes people feel comfortable collecting this type of art work.

Some galleries sell "limited edition" type cels. (also called "Sericells"). These are reproductions and were never actually used in the making of an animated film as are the production cels. The recent advent of computer animation (as in Beauty and the Beast) has done away with many of the cels once needed for film production. The reproduction cels cost considerably less than production cels and do not appreciate in value as well, but they can be a fun way to own a piece of artwork featuring a favorite character that otherwise might be too expensive for the first-time buyer.

Cassandra Stobener, director of the Cartoon Galleria understands the confusion that some new buyers may

feel at their first purchase, "When people come in to the Galleria for the first time, we try to educate them as much

as possible," said Stobener.

The cartoon Galleria features classic production cels as well as some original drawings and reproduction type cels. The prices can vary greatly from a Mr. Magoo production cel, \$250 framed, to a 1930's Mickey Mouse cel from "The Brave Tailor" which recently sold at \$13,000. The Galleria also carries some new favorites; "The Simpsons" production cels start at \$400 framed.

Their emphasis is on production cels and the staff at the Cartoon Galleria is very helpful when it comes to your

first animation art purchase.

The Cartoon Galleria is located at 1107 Firehouse Alley in Old Sacramento and their hours are Tues. Wed and Sun 11:30 - 6:00 and Fri and Sat 11:30 - 8:00. So, if you are looking for a fun way to spend an afternoon or you need a good laugh, stop by the Cartoon Galleria and see some old friends. Th-th-th-thats all folks!

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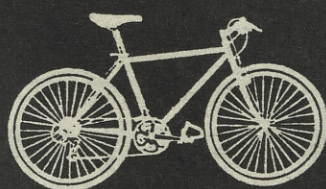
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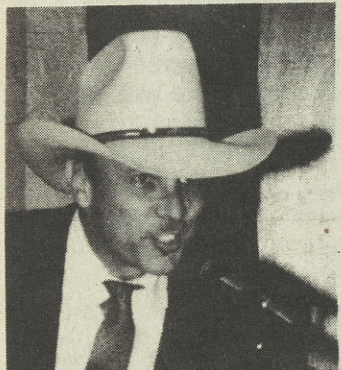




# RUMOR HAS IT

**O**h, so much to catch up on! The Lambda Awards, June 14 brought almost every lesbian/gay rights activist in the city together to acknowledge the varied and valuable contributions of nearly ninety people.

The "Tim Warford Award"



Terry Sidie.

went to Terry Sidie, owner of Faces, for his continued emotional and financial support of the Lambda Community Cen-

ter.

Lou Camera was made an "honorary lesbian" by Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change. Ellen French presented him with his official title during a pre-planned "disturbance" at the dinner. Many people thought Ellen was just being her usual vocal self, but really it was part of an elaborate scheme.

Rumor has it, Ellen has finally found the woman of her dreams. . . Congratulations Kate!

Back to the Awards dinner. Many deserving people were recognized including Merrill and Muriel Follansbee founders of the Sacramento Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). The Lambda board had their son imported from San Francisco to prove they were really parents of a gay man. (Suspensions were that they were leading PFLAG just



The Follansbees were surprised by their son at awards.

for the fun of it.)

Karen Andrade and Richard Boriolo were acknowledged for their incredible work on the Lambda Freedom Fair and the Rainbow Festival.

The Lambda Fair was an incredible day in the (very hot) sun for the local community. Local body builder Jackie Nunes won the Fair's Hard Body Contest in addition to her

winning the gold at the Arcadia Body Building Society's competition in San Francisco in June.

Randy Gray and Jolanne Tierney were M.C.s of the Lambda Fair Contest and will soon be busy working on the Mr. and Ms. Northern California Leather Contest, August 1, at the Tuesday Club. Contestants are welcome, and it appears it is going to be one competitive contest. For more details on entering the contest or for tickets call Jolanne at 489-5656.

Also if you want to attend Jolanne's 9th Annual 21st Birthday Party July 25 at the Tuesday Club bring \$5 and your dancing shoes and get ready to party. (This is the big 3 - 0 kids -- parties like these only happen once.) Leather women like Jo know how to party "Best."

The latest ISSUE had more than 300 responses to the "Best of Sacramento Contest" survey and the "Best" won. . . Who drinks Bud Lite? Ick. (See the back page for the results.)

The Leather community was well represented at the Lambda Fair with Bill Gooch showing off his leather items and the Sacramento Leather Association placing people in bondage for a mere \$5. Heh, heh, heh. Martin Casey was seen hanging around the booth hoping to be put in bondage, but no such luck. . . maybe at the Rainbow Festival.

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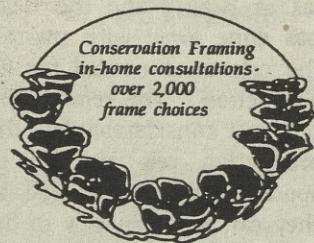


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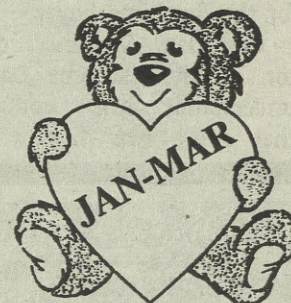
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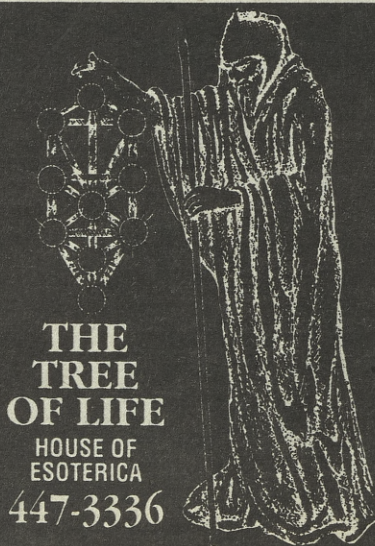
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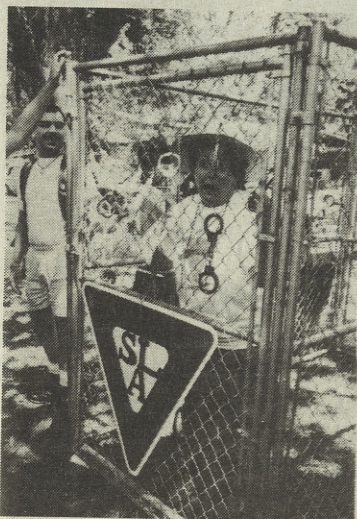
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at 441-3973. As usual, the four-day Festival is going to bring in big-name entertainment and tons of people ready for a good time.

Most of Sacramento ran off to the "Big City" June 28 for the Lesbian and Gay Freedom



Lambda President, Marghe Covino was held captive by the SLA at the request of the latest ISSUE publisher.

Day Parade. Miles Kerley was seen strutting his buff-bod in front of the crowd in his latest ISSUE t-shirt. Wreck Room bartender Jimmy Hudgins got nekkid at the S.F. Eagle and swapped some serious butt grease with total strangers on the patio. (I left my nipple/in San Frannn-cis-co!)

Have I mentioned lately that this column is written by the

entire staff of the paper and I just do what I'm told.

Poor me. I'm the only lesbian in Sacramento who doesn't have tickets to the k.d. lang concert July 31. There is still a chance she'll add another show, but your best bet is to go to Faces on Wednesday nights and try and win the raffle drawing for two tickets to the show, with a total of six to be given away.

The River City Democratic Club was raffling k.d. tickets at the Lambda Fair and using them as a draw to get lesbians near their booth.

Karl Green was seen shouting after several women "Hey, don't you want to be a part of

our 'River City 22' program?" The women replied "send me a postcard, and I may think about it." Well, the River City 22 program is planning to have 22 RCDC members working on political campaigns before the November election to "learn the ropes." Maybe we'll have some candidates of our own soon.

Ross Perot supporter, Jayne Rountree was seen at the Capitol in June shaking Perot's hand and waving a "Perot for President" placard proudly. Jayne's off on one of Robin Tyler's excursions, but I'm sure she's relieved Perot changed his tune on gay rights recently saying "discrimination based on

sexual orientation is unacceptable." Maybe now people will quit harassing Jayne about Perot. . .NOT.

Gary Miller and Sam Ciraulo are off in New York for the Democratic Convention as we go to press and from what I've heard there are lots of lesbians and gays poised to cheer Clinton on. For once we have a presidential candidate who has an understanding for what makes that gay community tick, and is willing to work on the relationship. Let's have a holy union.

Two wonderful women who have decided to take the leap into life long commitment are Joey and Sabina. The small

ceremony is scheduled for the beginning of September, and a wild reception is surely planned with Music by Joey playing in the background -- on tape. Congratulations!

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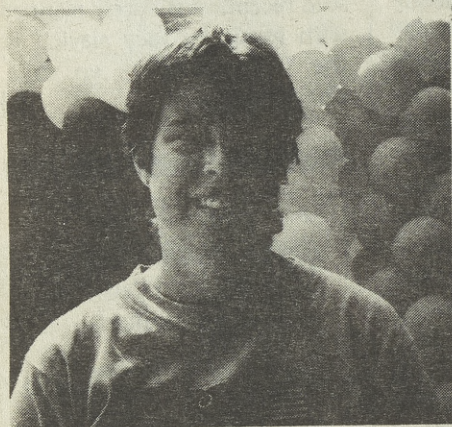




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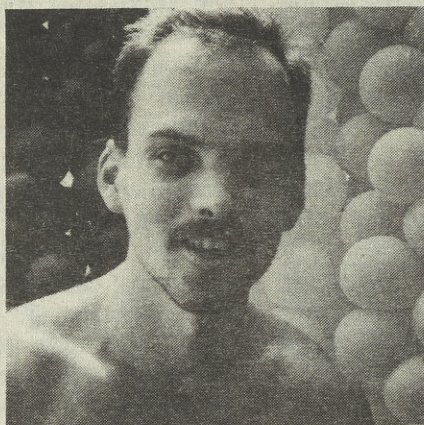
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## What Is the Best Thing About the Freedom Fair?



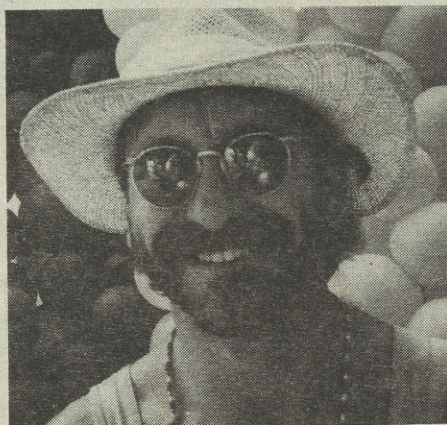
**Sherrie Morrisette**

"It's a great day for everyone to come together and enjoy themselves and see what's available in the community and see the resources that are out there."



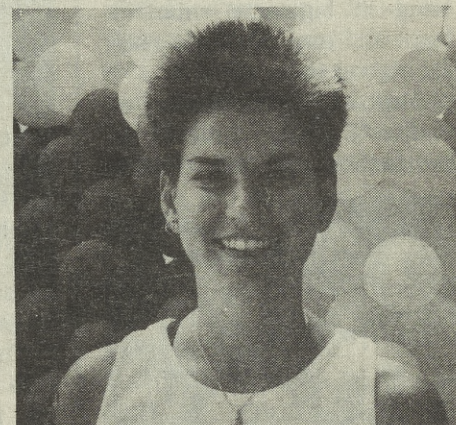
**George Holcraft**

"It brings everybody together from all the different aspects of our community and lets everyone accept everyone else for who they are. It shows the straight community how diverse we are."



**Lee Scarborough**

"The freedom fair brings out all the different types of gay people into the community and makes us visible. We are not just stereotypes, we are like everyone else and this brings us all together."



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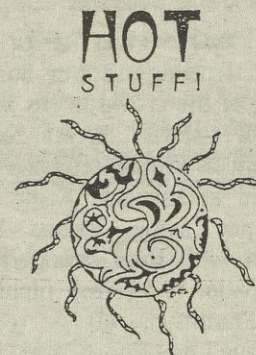
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# OREGON

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the Campaign for a Hate Free Oregon (CHFO). The CHFO offices were recently broken into and two computers and a fax machine were stolen. Phone lines were cut, office files were ransacked and personal Rolodex and address records were stolen. It is believed that OCA is behind the break-in.

"People in California must get involved in supporting the CHFO fight against these far-


right political groups, speak out against the bigotry and hate," said Robin Kane, public information manager at the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "Get members of national organizations, unions, religious groups, travel agencies, big business, anyone to write and support CHFO. By letting people in Oregon know that the rest of the U.S. is watching, we can send a message that it is important not to succumb hate and bigotry."

The OCA proposed amendment to the Oregon Constitution would legalize discrimina-

tion on the basis of sexual orientation. The effects of the initiative would reach into Oregon's schools, libraries, work places, and into Oregonian's personal lives. The measure has three primary requirements; that Oregon cannot "recognize" phrases such as sexual orientation; State and local governments cannot "promote, encourage, or facilitate homosexuality;" and public schools, colleges and universities must teach that homosexuality is "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse" and should be "dis-

couraged and avoided." In essence the measure would encourage any government agency to deny gays employment; parks could not be used for any gay meetings, libraries would ban any book that had any positive reference to homosexuality; public television would have to censor any program that appeared to "promote, encourage, or facilitate" homosexuality; State licensing agencies could deny licensure to any applicant solely on the basis that they are perceived to be homosexual; and finally, during

child custody cases, courts would be required to take away custody of a child from any parent who is, or is perceived to be homosexual. As the OCA increases its activity around the state in support of its anti-gay measures on the November election ballot, Oregon activist fear violence against the gay and lesbian community will increase.

Send resources and letters of support to the Campaign for a Hate Free Oregon, PO Box 3343, Portland OR, 97208; (503) 232-4501. 

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## MARCH

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platform. "We need to be politically pragmatic," he insists. Attee believes that the leadership should send a "clear message to mainstream America" that gays are not interested in "special rights, just equal rights." As to the need to be inclusive of other oppressed groups, Attee says, "We can have a march that does not need to address every group's interests across the globe. It's our march. I don't know why those extra issues needed to be addressed."

While Nancy Nystrom is willing to work with Attee and

other critics, she warns that "people on the Committee who are not happy with certain issues, need to at least recognize their origins. Let's get real."

The multi-faceted platform

## The platform will be under seven headings. . .

will be delivered under seven basic headings:

1. Equal civil rights shall not be denied on the basis of sexual orientation/identification, identity, gender, and gender expression.

2. Discrimination against and oppression of People of Color shall not be tolerated.

3. Discrimination in our educational systems shall not be tolerated.

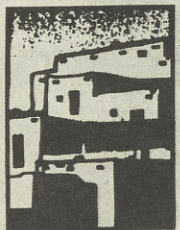
4. Universal health care, medical and alternative therapies shall be available to all people.

5. The right to reproductive freedom and choices for all people shall be protected.

6. The definition and legal protection of family shall include all people.

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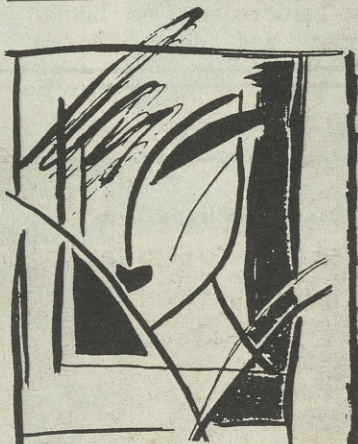
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## ■ FITNESS

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## ■ FRAMING

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## ■ FURNITURE

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## ■ GRAPHIC ARTS

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## ■ HAIR

Bangs Hair Studio, 609 23rd Street, Sacramento. Anne 447-4323.

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Majestic Look & Touch, Billy Majestic Boyd, 2000 Marconi Ave. Sacramento. 921-2388.

Pat Medina, Crazy Razor, 1221 21st Street, Sacramento. 446-3790.

Trendsetters Hair Design, 1406 28th Street, Sacramento. 455-0514.

Wham!, 2228 J Street, Sacramento, Pam. 447-8931

## ■ HOME LOANS

Bankers Mortgage, Brad Bauer, 954-0229, Rick Oldham, 954-0234.

## ■ INSURANCE

Allstate Insurance, Dan Huffman agent. 721-9339.

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## ■ LANDSCAPING

Page's Fountains, 5331 Kohler Ave. Sacramento. 331-7205.

## ■ MASSAGE

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## ■ MUFFINS

Muffins Etc., 1404 28th, Sacramento. 452-1829.

## ■ OPTOMETRIST

Dr. Cameron Yee, 6407 Riverside Blvd. Sacramento. 395-0673.

## ■ ORGANIZATIONS

Lambda Community Center, 1931 L Street, Sacramento. 442-0185.

Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 920 20th Street, Sacramento. 448-2437.

SACWN, Sacramento Area Career Women's Network, P.O. Box 661332, Sacramento, 95866. 486-8985.

## ■ PARALEGAL

Paralegal Services, Sacramento. 635-5614.

## ■ PARENTING

Foster Parents, County of Sacramento. 366-2447.

## ■ PETS & FISH

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Capitol Aquarium, 29th & T Street, Sacramento. 452-5556

Wizard of Dogs, pet grooming. 5772 Broadway, Sacramento 457-3647.

## ■ PHOTOGRAPHY

Ashby On Location, Sacramento. 456-8849.

## ■ PRINTING

Sacramento Quick Print, 2612 J Street, Sacramento. 442-5615.

## ■ REAL ESTATE

M. Jessica Booth, Realtor, Sacramento, 965-0100 or 557-0597.

Remy Ceci, Realtor, Sacramento, 739-1212 or 455-8054.

Victoria Laining, Realtor, Sacramento. 972-0212 or 552-1063.

Vicki Pfingst, Broker, Pfingst Realty, 362-1166 or 395-0490.

Jayne Rountree, Rountree Real Estate, Sacramento. 921-6642.

Donavon Thompson, TRI Realtors. Member of the Masters Club. 362-7055 ext. 318.

## ■ REMODELING

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## ■ RESORTS

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## ■ RESTAURANTS

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Town House, 1517 21st Street, Sacramento. 441-5122.

## ■ SCHOOLS

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## ■ THEATER

Tower Theater, 16th and Broadway, Sacramento. 443-1982.

## ■ TILE

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## ■ TRAVEL

Aladdin Travel, Rob Thorbin, 818 K Street Mall, Sacramento. 446-0633.

Outings With Will, P.O. Box 162607, Sacramento. 447-4144.

Red Shoes Travel, 454-4201. For business accounts call Kevin Cohee, 456-5820.

## ■ VIDEO

Films For Days, 2300 O Street, Sacramento. 448-FILM. FREE Membership.

## ■ VIBRATORS

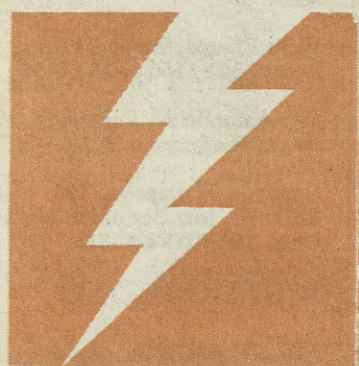
Good Vibrations, 1210 Valencia Street, San Francisco. (415) 550-0827.

Moment of Touch, 2230 J Street, Sacramento. 443-4011. Romantic play things.

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# GAY SACRAMENTO'S BEST...

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Coffee Shop  
**New Helvetia**

Pizza  
**Zelda's**

Mexican Food  
**El Charro**

Restaurant (overall)  
**Biba**

Supportive Non-Gay Bar  
**The Rage**

Supportive Non-Gay Business  
TIE: **Pescado's, Greta's**

Most Politically Correct Man  
**Alan Lofaso**

Most Politically Correct Woman  
**Laurie McBride**

Best Lesbian/Gay Newspaper  
**The latest ISSUE**

T.V. News  
**Channel 3**

Radio Station  
**KWOD 106.5**

Theater (Actor's)  
TIE: **SHOW BELOW  
LAMBDA PLAYERS,**

Hairdresser  
**Anne (BANGS)**  
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**Shannon—  
FACES**

Lesbian/Gay Business Person  
**David Kwong**  
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**Lambda Center**

Dance Bar  
**FACES**

Women's Bar  
**Buffalo Club**

Men's Bar  
**FACES**

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**Patty Pardue**  
Beer  
**Bud Lite**

Leather Man  
**Bill Gooch**

Leather Woman  
**Jo Tierney**

Drag Performer  
TIE: **STACEY,  
LARGE MARGE**

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